



Flooding and Sewage Issues at the Central Detention Facility

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On Friday, July 15th, the CIC received reports of regular flooding and sewage issues inside of cells at the Central Detention Facility (CDF). In response to the CIC inquiring about this matter, the DC Department of Corrections (DOC) responded that there was a backed-up drain in the NW-1 unit that affected cells in the right lower tier, but residents were removed from the affected area. The DOC also indicated that maintenance was working on the issue, and that residents who were moved may be reassigned to a new housing area, but no resident will return to the affected cells until they are cleaned, sanitized, and issued new bedding, mattresses, sheets, etc. The DOC stated that cell inspections are also required prior to returning any residents. The CIC will continue to monitor any additional developments regarding this matter.